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Report from Matanzas—Mortuary statistics.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nunez reports November 7, as follows for the week ended November 5, 1904:

Bills of health were issued during same period to 5 vessels leaving this port for the United States in good sanitary condition.

No contagious or infectious disease has been reported during the

past week.

According to information, the municipal officers of this city purpose to make renewed efforts before Congress, during the next session, to the end of again securing the cooperation of the General Government for the proper cleaning and sanitation of the city. It is to be hoped that the new petition may meet with success, inasmuch as the present sanitary status constitutes a serious menace to the public health.

Following are the mortuary statistics of the city of Matanzas covering the last eleven days of October, 1904:

Causes of death.	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Tuberculosis pulmonary. Tetanus, infantile. Enteritis (under 2 years old) Hemorrhage, cerebral Eclampsia, puerperal Athrepsia Cancer of pancreas Broncho-pneumonia Total	4 3 1 1 1 1 1 2	27 72 105 64 138 105 45 92

Annual rate of mortality per 1,000, 10.64; estimated population, 48,000.

$Reports\ from\ Santiago-Inspection\ of\ vessels-Mortuary\ report.$

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, November 2, as follows: During the week ended October 29, 1904, bills of health were issued to five vessels bound for the United States. On all these bills of health I put the condition of the port as "good," and under "Remarks" I noted one case of yellow fever at Punta de Sal, across the bay; removed to lazaretto at Cayo Duan. On the steamship Manhanset's bill of health I noted in addition that it was at the wharf at Punta de Sal. I will continue making this remark until quarantine is removed on November 12.

No additional case of yellow fever has been reported, but there was a suspicious case at Cobre on October 30, which was removed to Cayo Duan for observation. On November 2 he was discharged, the diagnosis of malaria having been made. I give a full report of him in the special report which I mail to-day under separate cover.